

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2798 - SB 2980

February 27, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that it is an offense for a retail distributor or any of its employees knowingly to sell or transfer in a single transaction various packages of products containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine or phenylpropanolamine in an amount of more than three grams. These products may not be sold to anyone under 18 years of age. The bill also provides that it is an offense for a person to purchase, acquire or receive packages of products containing ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or phenylpropanolamine in an amount of more than three grams. These offenses will be punished as Class A misdemeanor. Any retail distributor or employee violating these provisions may also be subject to a civil fine not to exceed \$5,000.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant
Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant

Impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill. Such increases are not estimated to be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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